GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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SWARAN REKHA IRRIGATION PROJECT
RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have made any efforts to seek assistance from the World Bank/A.R.B.P. for the Swaran Rekhalrrigation Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reaons therefor; and

(d) the success achieved in this direction ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (d) The first phase of the Swaran Rekha Irrigation Project (Bihar) was implemented with the World Bank assistance of US$127 million during January 1983 to April 1989. The Swaran Rekha Irrigation Project Phase II proposal (estimatedcost Rs. 473.15 crores) was posed to the World Bank on 23.06.1997. However there has been no response from the World Bank. An amount of Rs.64.500 crores has been released to Government of Orissa for SwaranRekha Multipurpose Project as Central Loan Assistance under the Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP).